Receipts from license fees of country boats.

238. Mr. Joseph Pettah.—Will the Government be pleased to state—

(a) the total annual receipts, for the last three years, from license fees of country boats plying in the rivers and backwaters of the State;

(b) the total annual expenditure for the last three years, on account of the pay and allowances of the officers and staff engaged in licensing the above boats?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon —

(a)	1106.	Rs. 14,442— 0— 0
	1107.	Rs. 15,675— 0— 0
	1108.	Rs. 14,096—12— 0
(b)	1106.	Rs. 10,639—12—10
	1107.	Rs. 11,091— 9— 0
	1108.	Rs. 9,938—12— 0

Collection of mooring fees from country boats at Ernakulam.

239. Mr. Joseph Pettah.—(a) Will the Government be pleased to state the respective amounts for 1107 and 1108 for which the right of collecting mooring fees from country boats that touch at Ernakulam was sold out;

(b) are there any rates fixed for these fees; if so, who has fixed them; and what are these rates at present;

(c) are these rates, if any, fixed solely with reference to the size of the boats; or are any other factors taken into consideration in fixing these rates;

(d) is the mooring fee to be paid as soon as a boat is moored; or is it enough if the fee is paid any time before the boat leaves the moorings?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—(a) 1107 Rs. 5,860
1108 6,711

This includes the fees for all boats landing and mooring at the landing places on the foreshore.

(b) Yes; the rates were fixed by the Council, the schedule of rates is herewith appended. (*Appendix VI.*)

(c) The rates are fixed with reference to the description of the boats mentioned in the schedule.

(d) No, mooring fees have to be paid only for boats that moor for periods exceeding 24 hours and not for shorter periods.

Mr. Joseph Pettah.—(b) I think it is the Municipal Council?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Yes.

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